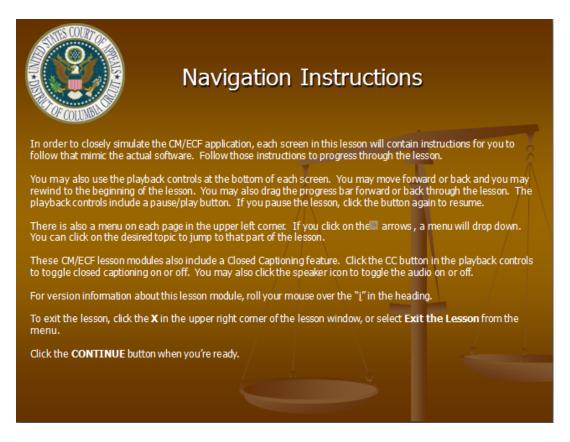


Welcome

Slide notes: Welcome to the lesson on How to File an Entry of Appearance.



Navigation Instructions

Slide notes: These are the instructions for navigating through this lesson module. When you are ready to start the lesson, click the Continue button.



Objectives

Slide notes: Here are the objectives for this lesson. These are the things you will be able to do when you complete it. After reading through these objectives, click the Continue button.



Slide notes: We'll begin at the CM/ECF Startup Page. This page appears after you've entered your username and password on the login page. To learn more about how to login to CM/ECF, please see our module "Introduction to CM/ECF".

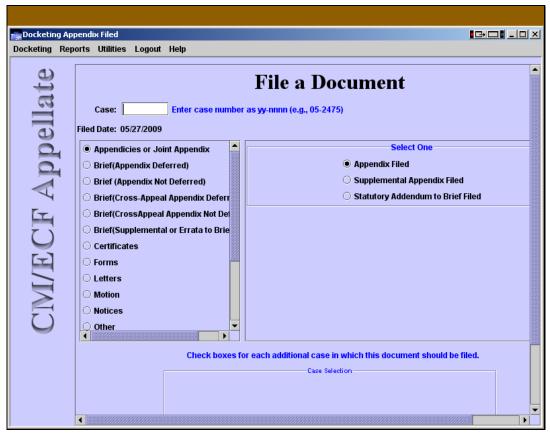
For this module, let's assume you are Mary Zawacki and you're entering an appearance on behalf of Big Wheel Energy, the petitioner in one of your cases. To begin, click on Docketing in the main menu.



Slide notes: Click on File a Document.

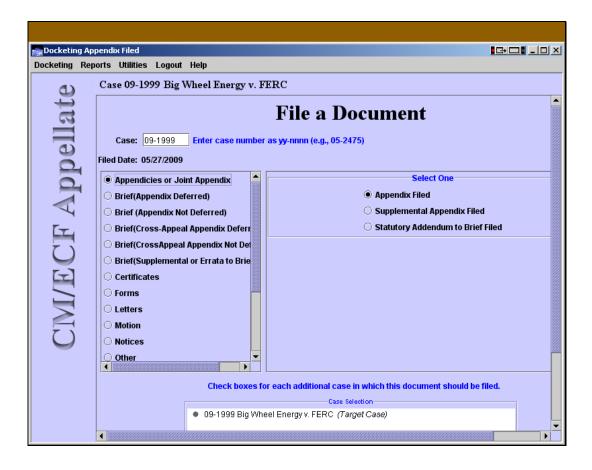


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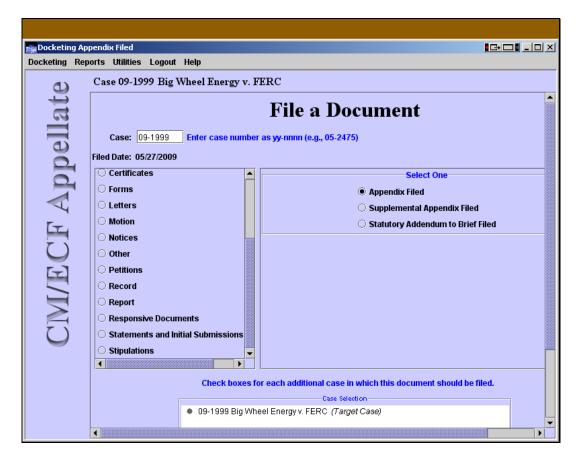
Select Category and Event

Slide notes: This is the initial docketing screen. To learn more about the different parts of this screen, please see the module, "Introduction to CM/ECF". First, we'll need to enter a case number. Enter the practice case number 09-1999 in the Case field and then press Tab key.



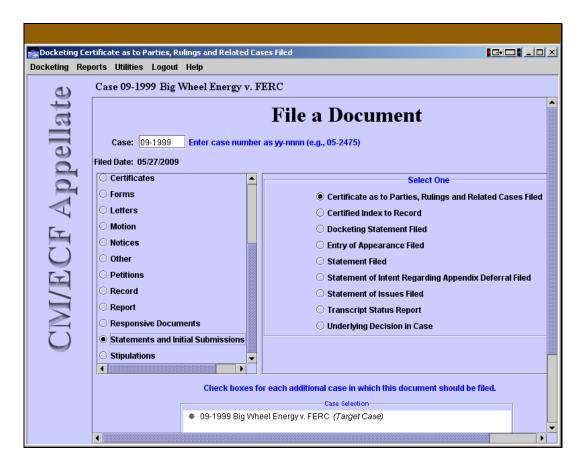
Slide notes: Verify you are in the correct case by viewing the title that appears at the top of the screen. Since this is the correct title, we'll move on and select our event category. The correct category for the Entry of Appearance form is Statements and Initial Submissions.

To locate this category, scroll down in the Events Category pane.



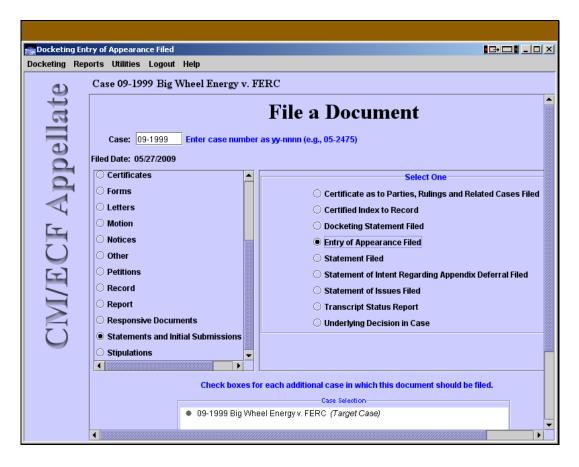
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Slide notes: Click on the radio button for Statements and Initial Submissions.



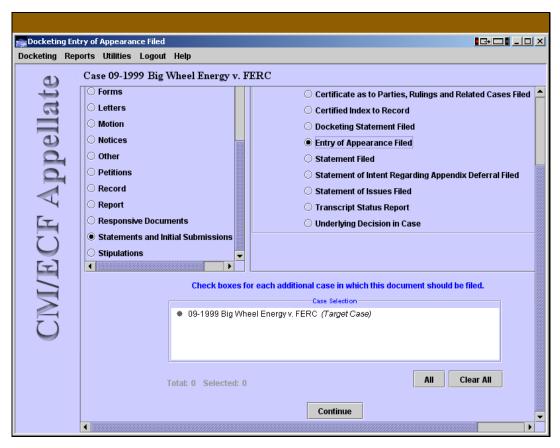
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Slide notes: The Events pane now displays all the events in the Statements and Initial Submissions category. Click on the event Entry of Appearance Filed.

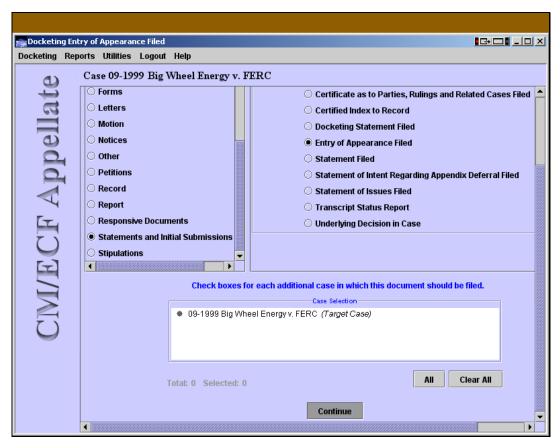


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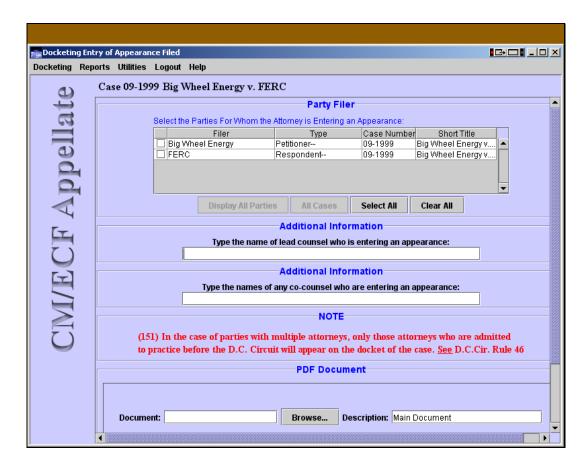
Slide notes: Now that we've selected the correct category and event, we'll need to click the Continue button at the bottom of the page in order to proceed to the next screen. To see this button, click the down arrow in the scroll bar.



Slide 12 Slide notes: Click the Continue button.

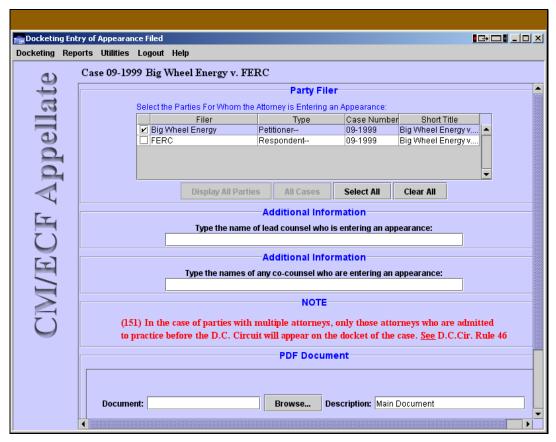


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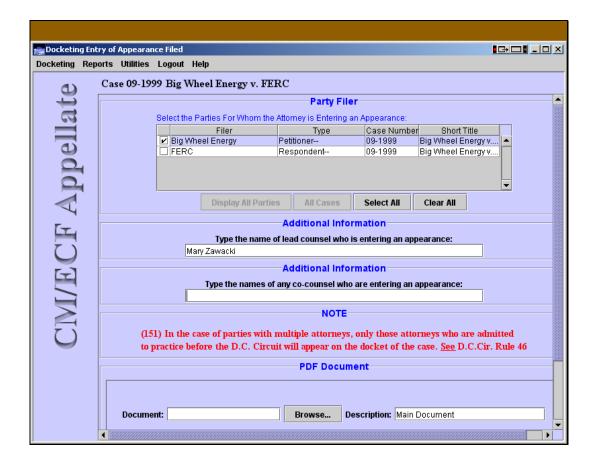
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Slide notes: The Party Filer window now appears. Here is where you select the party filer and type in the names of the attorneys who are entering their appearance. This screen also allows you to upload your entry of appearance form. First, let's select the Party Filer. Click on the check box for Big Wheel Energy.



Enter Attorney Name

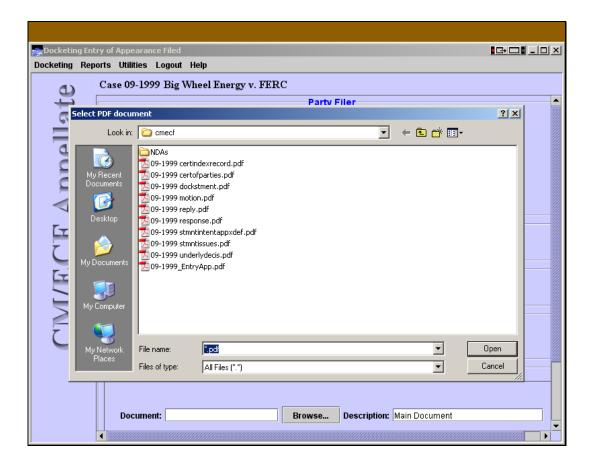
Slide notes: Now, you need to enter the name of the lead counsel entering the appearance. In the first Additional Information field, type the name "Mary Zawacki". When you're finished, press the Tab key to continue.



Slide 16

Slide notes: Notice that there are two Additional Information fields. As we've just seen, the first field is for the lead attorney. The second field can be used to enter the names of any co-counsel who are entering an appearance. Since there are no co-counsel in this instance, we'll leave that field blank.

The next step is to upload your Entry of Appearance form. This form, which is available on our website, should be completely filled out and saved on your local computer before uploading. Let's assume you've done that already. Press the Browse button to locate the saved form.

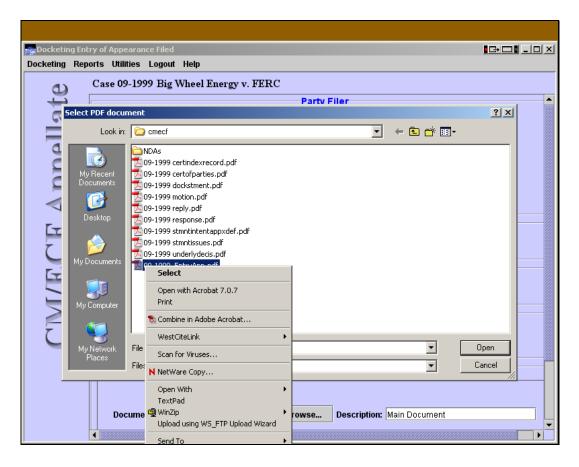


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Slide notes: The Select PDF document dialogue box appears. This dialogue box indicates that we're looking at all the PDF files in the cmecf folder. You would you need to change this folder to the location on your local computer where you saved your form. For this lesson though, this is the correct directory.

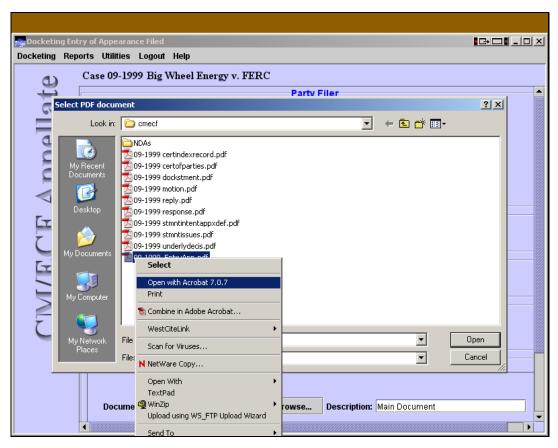
The file we're looking for is 09-1999_EntryApp.pdf. Before uploading a file, it's a good practice to preview the document to make sure it's the correct file.

One way to do that is to right-click on the file and select Open in Adobe Acrobat from the pop-up menu that appears. On your computer, right-clicking on the file will show the pop-up menu, however, for this module, just use the normal click. Go ahead and click on the file now.

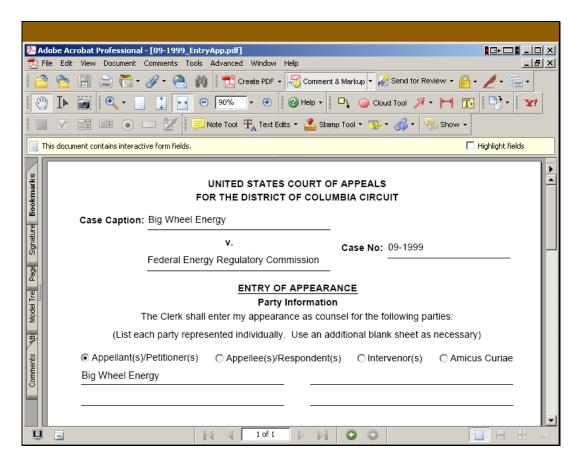


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Slide notes: Click on the option Open with Acrobat 7.0.7. Those numbers at the end indicate the version of Adobe Acrobat running on the simulation computer. They'll differ depending on the version of Acrobat installed on your computer.

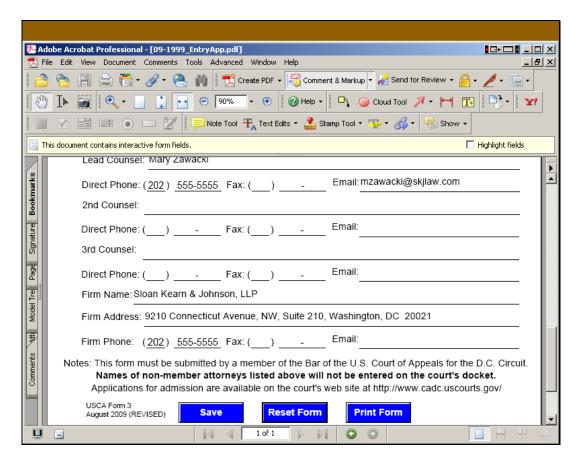


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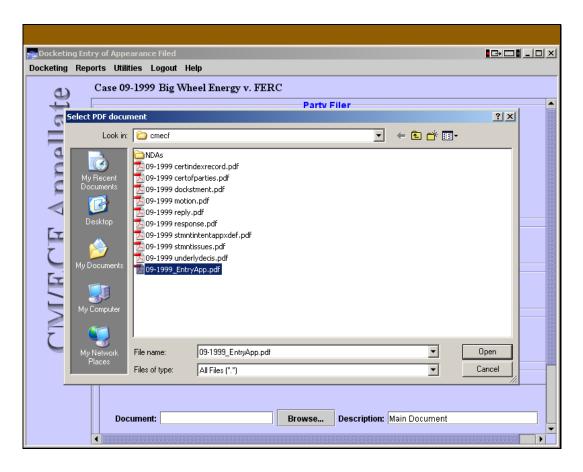
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Slide notes: Adobe Acrobat opens the file in a separate window. It looks like we've got the right file, but let's take a look at the bottom of the page to be sure. Click the down arrow in the scroll bar.



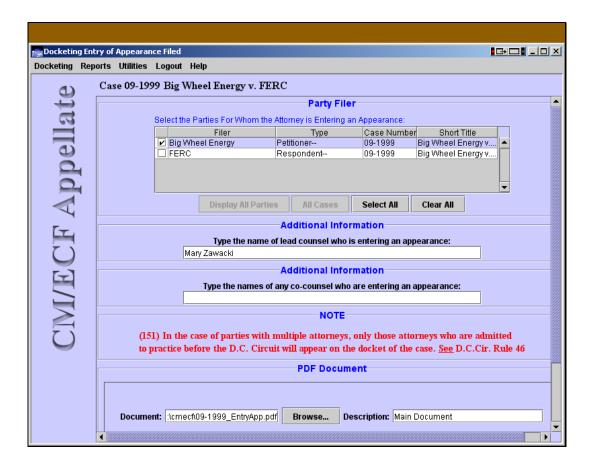
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Slide notes: Now that we've verified that the information is correct, we're ready to upload the form. First, let's close the Adobe Acrobat window by clicking on the X in the upper right corner.



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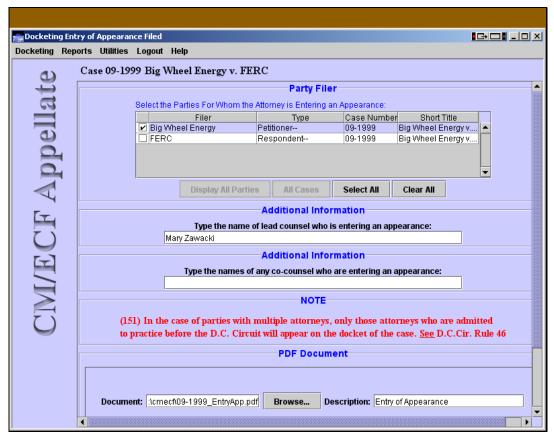
Slide notes: This takes us back to the Select PDF document window and our document is selected for us. At this point you can click on the Open button to choose the file.



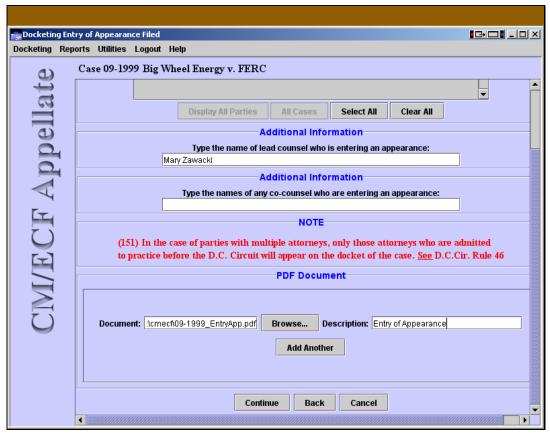
Slide 23

Slide notes: The Description field can be used to describe the document you're uploading. The default description is Main Document, but you'll want to change that to something more relevant to this transaction. For this event, you should change the text to Entry of Appearance.

Let's do that now. Click in the Description field and change the words Main Document to Entry of Appearance. Press the Tab key when you're finished.



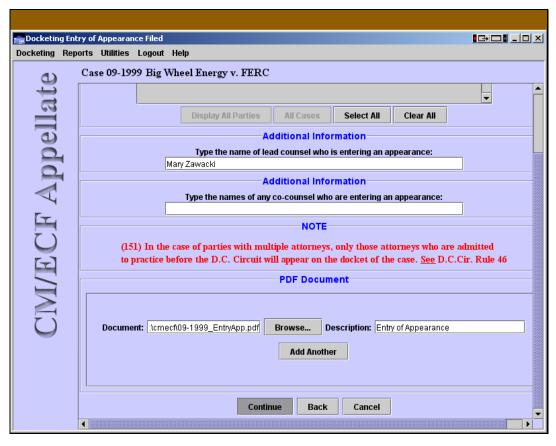
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Slide notes: Good. Now, scroll down by clicking the down arrow in the scroll bar.



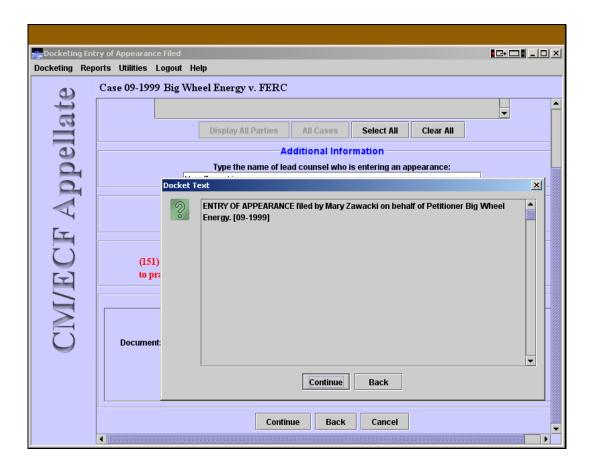
Submit Docket Entry

Slide notes: If you had other documents, such as attachments, you could click the Add Another button and repeat these steps for uploading additional PDF files. At the bottom of the screen there are three buttons.

The Continue button is used to proceed with docketing the event after you've verified that everything looks correct. The Back button will return you to the previous screen. The Cancel button cancels the transaction altogether. Since everything is correct, press the Continue button.



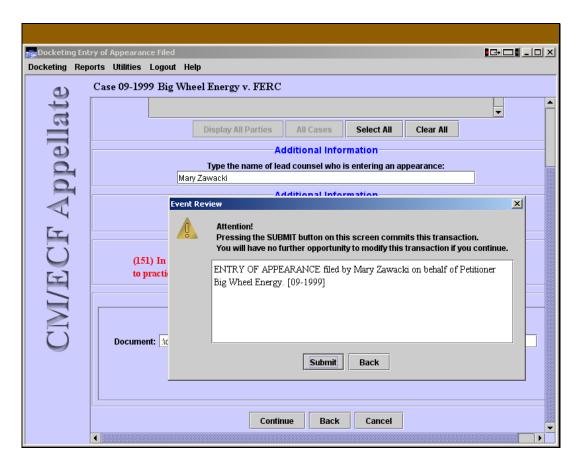
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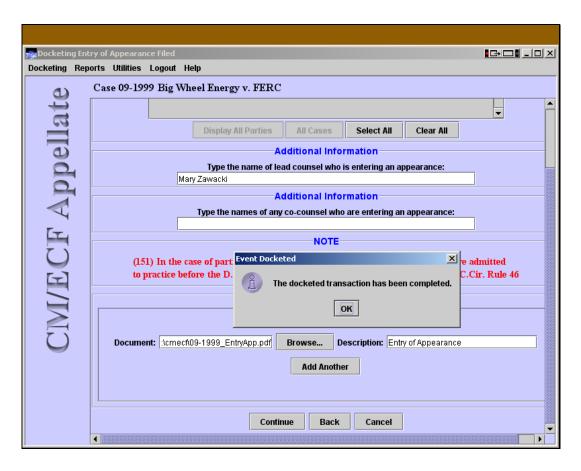
Slide notes: CM/ECF builds a docket entry as you go through the screens to file your document. This screen shows you the docket text it has created based on your inputs so far. If anything looks incorrect, you should click the Back button and correct your entry.

We'll assume everything is correct. Click on the Continue button.



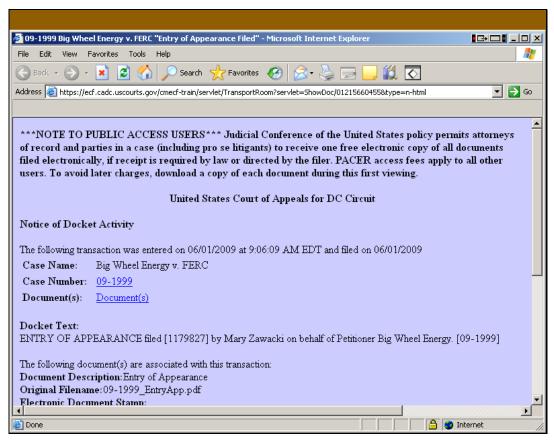
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Slide notes: This is the "point of no return". As the message indicates, once you click the Submit button on this screen your transaction is then submitted to the court. You will have no further opportunity to back up and change anything. So be sure the text reads the way you want it to. Click on the Submit button.



Slide 29

Slide notes: Once the CM/ECF server has received your transaction you will see this dialog box indicating the docketed transaction has been completed. Click the OK button.

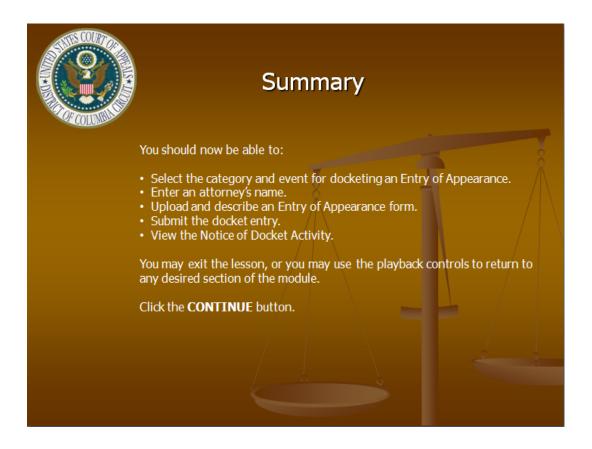


Notice of Docket Activity

Slide notes: A Notice of Docket Activity or NDA immediately opens up in a separate browser window. This notice constitutes service on all parties who have registered for electronic filing. Close this window by clicking on the X in the upper right corner.



Slide 31
Slide notes: CM/ECF returns you to the initial docketing screen. If you had another document to file you could do so at this point.



Summary

Slide notes: This concludes the lesson module. Before we go, let's summarize. You should now be able to do all the things in this list. You may exit the lesson or use the playback controls to return to any desired section of the module. When ready, press the Continue button to end the lesson.



Exit the Lesson

Slide notes: Thank you for taking the lesson. Goodbye.